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Chapman, Fred

February 19, 1887

[Henry and Hudson's cousin]

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April 6 1888

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[envelope] April 23, 1888

[2 letters, 1 undated.]

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269 Illinois St
4/6/88.

Dear Uncle,

Your welcome letter to hand, enclosing letter of introduction to Mr Morris. I had called last week, but as he is seldom at Office, I did not see him, I caught him yesterday morning, he received me very nicely, but as he said, their business is a peculiar one only having openings ~~~~ about a month before July 4th, & some jobbing trade for a few weeks, which he has done early in March. He took my address, & should he hear of anything will write

me. I have tried several times without success. Yesterday my landlord, who is interested in a N York house, ~~[illegible]~~ me one of the firm of Rosenthal & Co of that city, they are jobbers in fruits &c. They want a man to introduce their [illegible] to the playgoers of this city, he kindly recommended me, & I have a fair chance of getting it, to start it would be worth about $60 per month & should I make a success of it, the remuneration would be more. I wrote a letter of application last night & hope to hear from them on Monday or Tuesday morning. enclose a circular of the article. This morning I met one of my old friends he is going to open a grocery store & offered me a position with him, but I had to tell him the matter stood. However I would not like to go into the retail trade as the hours are irksome. Work in the

morning the summer till late at night leaving
you no time for amusement. I hope dear
Lizzie getting younger studies agree with
you better than it does me. Will you tell
Mary I have not mentioned in my letter home having
left Mamma. Pa does not want them to know

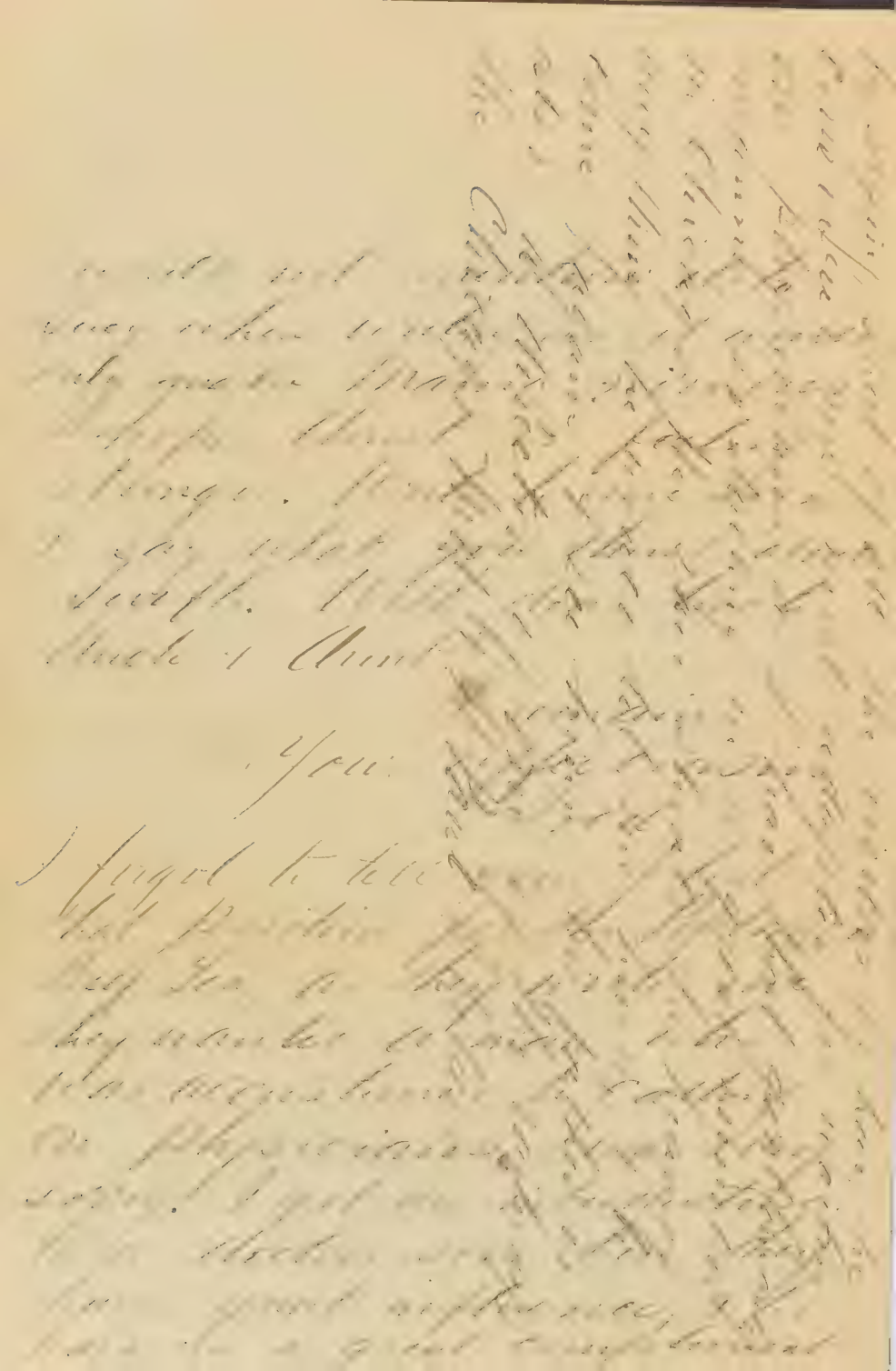
269 Illinois St
Sunday evening

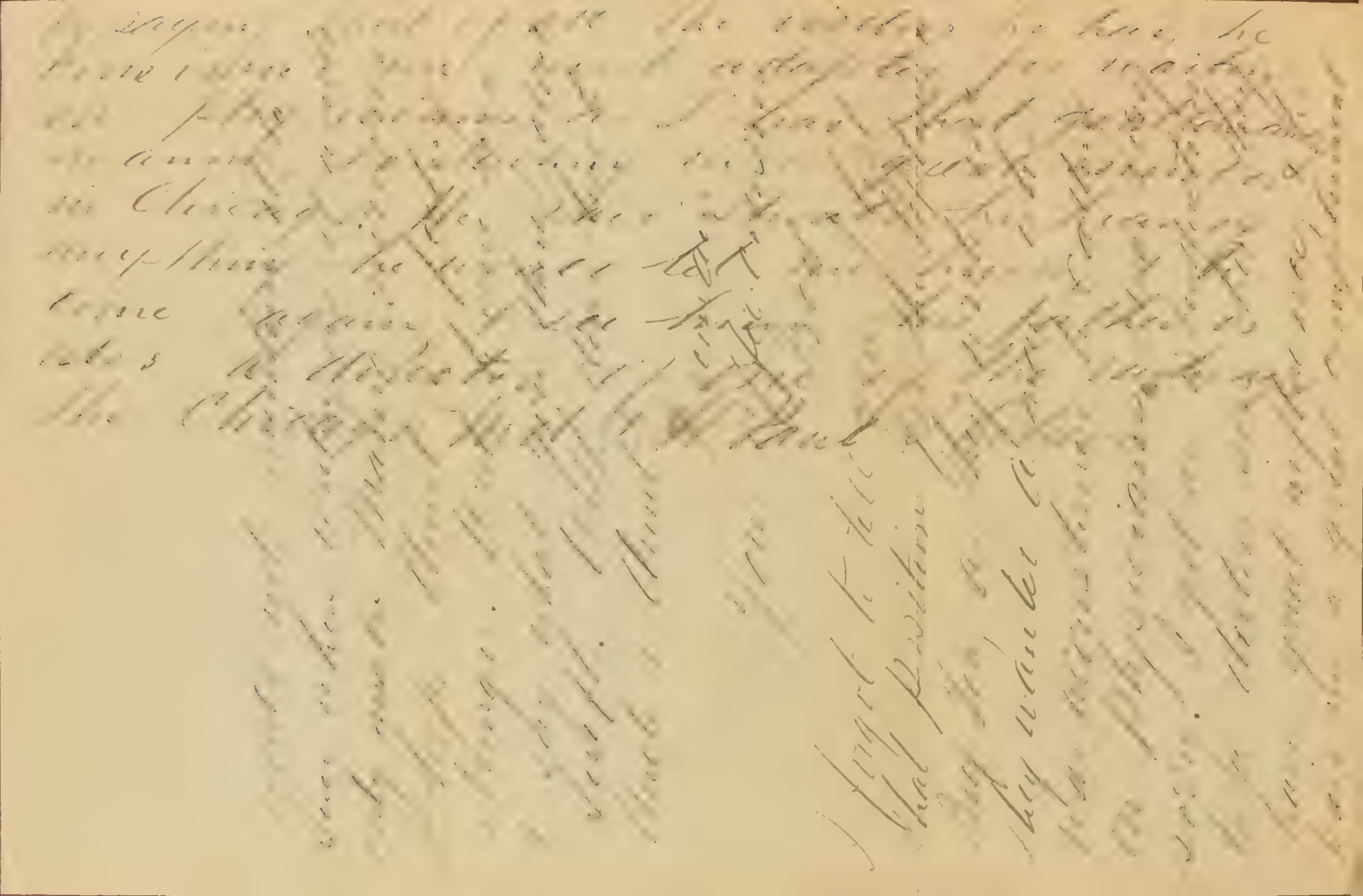
My dear Erwin

I am afraid you were disappointed at not hearing from me before now, but I waited hoping to have good news. I have been collecting the last couple of days for a real estate journal, but there is nothing in it, as it only lasts for a week or 2 &c. I went down to Swifts the other day, & applied for a position as salesman for his card, he got me to write a letter of application but I am afraid it will end there. However I went

with the head of the Office where I worked, & he says he will be able to get me into his room, he is a real nice fellow the only drawback is the distance & having to give up my connection with the grocers, it is very hard to decide the best thing to do. I tried all the Wholesale Grocers one man gave me some encouragement and told me to call again, as he might soon make a change, it would be to drive a waggon, the pay if I was successful would be good, ~~as~~ from 15 upto 20 dollars after you have a trade. ~~I~~ I will see him in the morning & will then go to Swift, if he

will not close. I went to see Stinson two or three times he gave me an excellent recommend, he told me that business has been very dull since I left, but did not ask me to return. The landlords little boy, three years old has been very ill with diphtheria, but danger is over now, & I hope soon will mend. A little girl opposite died from it on Thursday or Friday, she had a homeopathic doctor. I know it is infectious but none of the other boys moved, & I hope we will all escape, as it is more ~~confined to~~ liable for children to take it, than adults.





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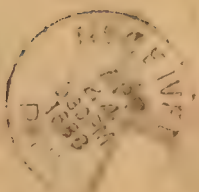

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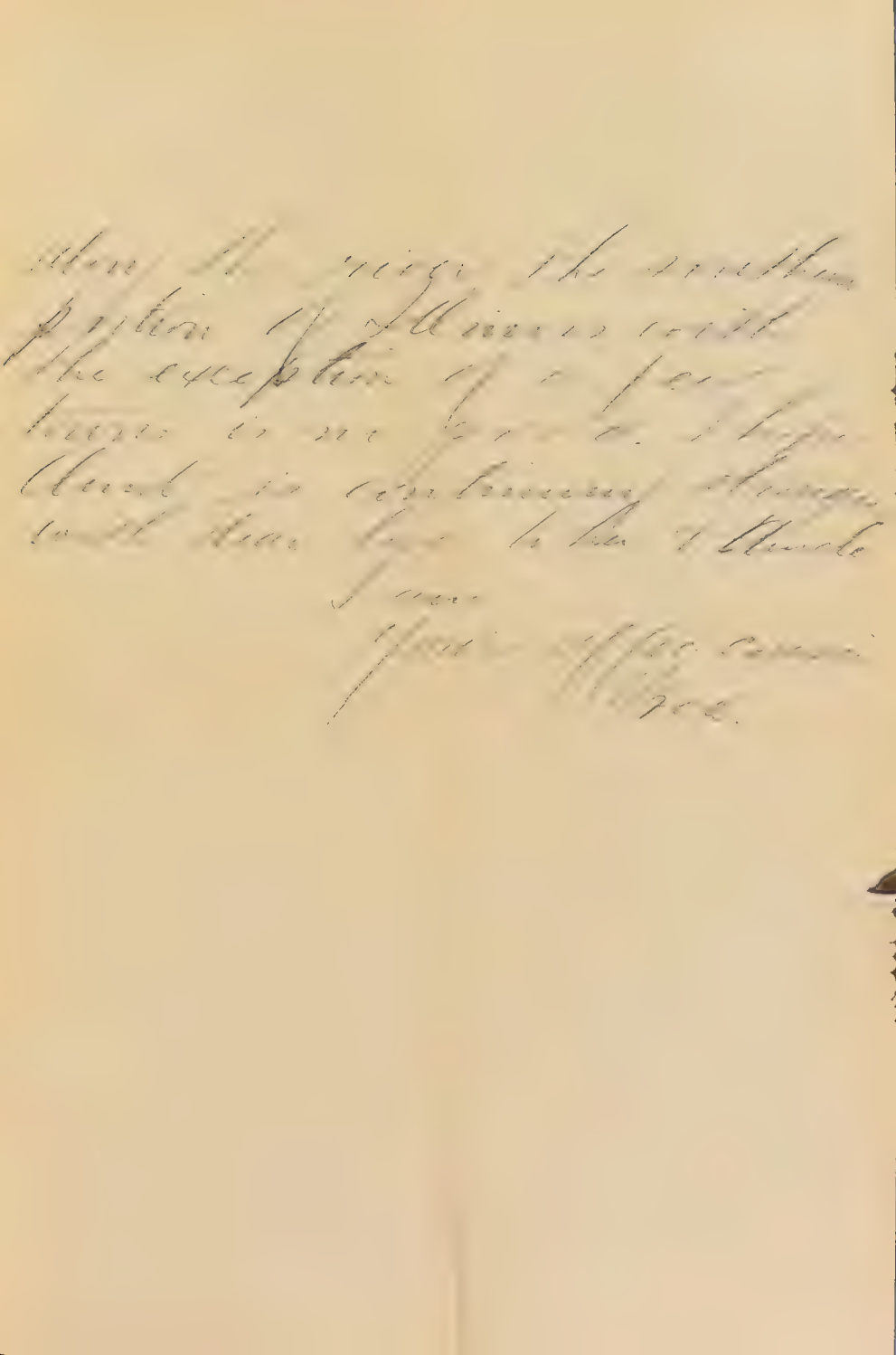
[illegible] together. We will have a



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My dear Harry

Your welcome letter I received Monday morning, I was surprised at your not having got my letter as I wrote to you just before starting for Minneapolis & St. Paul, I had quite a pleasant time in Minneapolis, it is a beautiful city, went out one afternoon to Lake Minnetonka, a great summer resort there

are also two smaller
ones quite near, Lake
Harriet & Calhoun, the
former has a pavilion
& a splendid band
every evening free
I spent down two
or three nights. I
would like to live in
Minneapolis for good
every house stands
on a beautiful plot
of ground it is now
over two hundred
thousand & will be
a large city in a
short time I could
not do any business
to amount to anything
as two Chicago firms
have branches there

& deliver to the store with their orders, so men just buy twice a week however I went up to straighten up matters that an Agent we had some time since got mixed up. I left Chicago last night & expect to be out for three weeks. I am just able to hold my own but hope after some time to make some money. I was so sorry to hear about Aunt — how do you think she contracted blood poisoning. I do hope the change will bring her round. The

best way to keep the Port is keep it at an even temperature if 60° you can bottle it & place the bottles lying down if you like it will then develop a bottle flavor & become mellow which is greatly prized at home but not known here however it would be just as nutritious in bulk. I had a letter from Sue same time as yours they have gone to Sandy & say the weather has been cold & wet. Weather here has been terrible hot today was 104 in the shade. I doubt if

Mary would come
and calm them. I
know she is longing
to do so. She seems
to be enjoying herself
more than lately from
the tone of her letter.
Give my dear love
to Aunt & Uncle &
tell them she will
soon be well again
& have with them a
pleasant time

With love
to Hen
& self
Your
affectionate
Cousin
Fred.

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After five days return to

-+WOODARD'S HOTEL,+-

N. WOODARD, Proprietor,

PEKIN, -:- -:- -:- ILLINOIS.

Fremont House

Rea Gist & Co

HARPER HOUSE.

Rock Island Ill June 8 1845
Sunday night

My dear Uncle

Your welcome postal received, and excuse me for not answering ere now. I am very glad you say, that you are pleased with the prospect of seeing Schoenhoffen's President, and I do hope it may be of some direct use to you from what he said, I am sure they are open to secure a ~~any~~ ~~one~~ patent that has merit. I am glad to tell you I am feeling

Lonely again. I left Chicago last fifth day week and have had very good success up to the present. The weather has been very warm some days 90 but hot weather suits me. I was so sorry to hear Aunt is still so weakly I suppose she could not attend any sitting of the Yearly Meeting. I do trust she is feeling stronger. Give her my dear love also Aunt Hannah.

Thy affectionate nephew
Fred

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Bucknell Station 6
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Hotel Superior
Chicago
Sunday. 1.23.92

My dear Lewises /

I am sorry to have
to tell you the house have treated
me very badly. They wrote
me to the 19th & [illegible]
[illegible] the first
of the year we are perfectly
willing to give you another
trial" Now see the exact
words as I have the letter.
I wrote them three times
this year and did not receive
a reply till Friday night which
said they would not [illegible]

any longer. I have written
him a long letter asking them
to reconsider and should they
not I claim a month's salary
& [illegible] which is only just &
but valuable time but could
have looked out for a position
as I told them, but fully
replied in their favour they
wish me the end of year
wishing me a happy New Year
very touching at dismissal.
I start in the morning to
call on several houses, and
fortunately all the trade I made
myself. Have sometime left
[illegible] I can [illegible]
my favour and sell to before
I could do more business
from Chicago. Could you kindly
[illegible] 25c more as the
landlord has asked me for more
I gave him balance of 100 dollars
& my charity after paying real
Estate due, but it is my annual
Hoping Madam I remain
with Respects to Uncle, Yours affectionately

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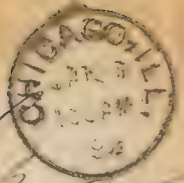

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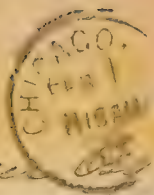

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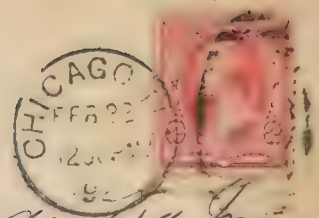

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THE RANDALL.

Dick Townsend & Co.,
PROPRIETORS.

Fort Wayne, Ind. Mch 5th 1892

Dear Harry

Your welcome letter with Check for 25.00 received for which I am much obliged. I am doing first rate for a new house, yesterday I made 20.00 for myself and day before 11.00 but these are exceptionally good days, and I have to figure the average, I am making about 75.00 a month, after paying all my expenses. Now I have coals to haul & mach-

th chance here, I think
he may turn out
me the L. Needle to Ken
and Lange, but write me
and let me know if
they are worth anything.
Dear love to Uncle and
Hudson.

Your affec cousin
Ed

Address me
New Sheridan House
South Bend
Indiana

Postcard only.

Hotel Superior
Chicago
Dec 28. 42

Dear Uncle, Your welcome letter received with enclosure for which I am much obliged. Glad to hear you are all well and enjoying yourselves. I start for a two week trip into Indiana tomorrow. With dear love to Aud and Henry. From affec nephew

Fred

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Henry Chapman Esq
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Hotel Sherman
210 W. Clark St
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Aug 16. 92.

My dear Uncle,

I am sure you have wondered at not having a letter from me before now, but I waited till I got the information. I got in from Indiana last Thursday night and yesterday had the satisfaction of catching Guillaume in by having them keep out before. I send a model of the drying machine and will try and describe it to you.

a square horizontal bed with each surface perforated with small holes to allow the steam heat to do the drying, between the two surfaces are the coils of steam pipes, a spring which releases the [illegible] (acting automatically) when the grain has dried, the 20 bushels will dry in an hour and only weigh a fourth of its weight when wet. The largest size they have made is 20 by 20. I mentioned to him the German invention which Mr. Gue is enquiring about that the Schoenhoffen Brewery have and he said it was useless they have one working at the Wacker and Birk Brewery [illegible] and it appears satisfactory. [illegible]

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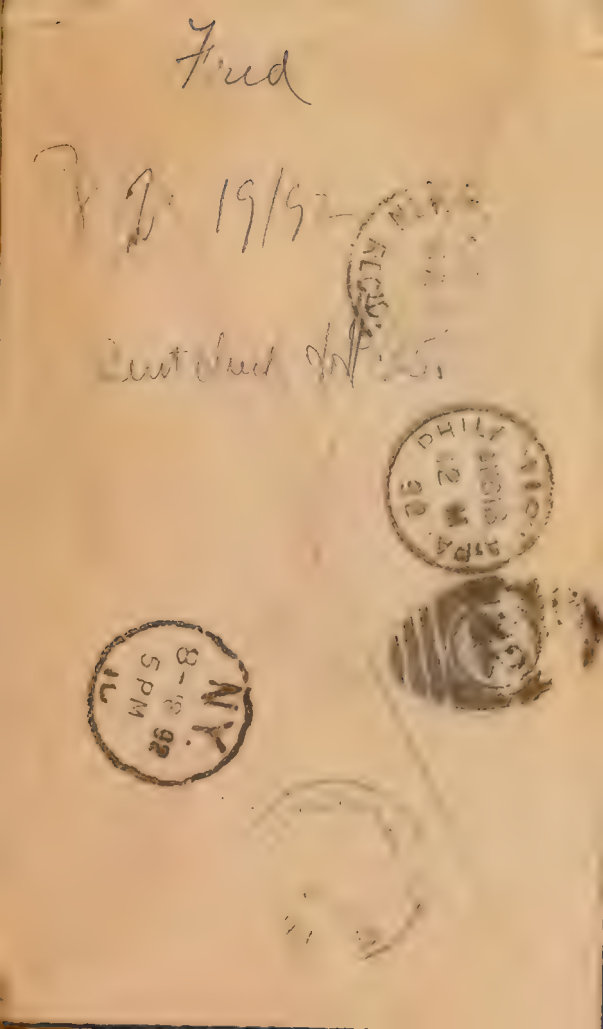
address is the same as
mine, so in it from
what Gus Greene tells me
I think he has had
very little to do lately
The weather here has been
very warm but I feel fine
but business has been dull
all my customers being away
in fact I have not made
expenses, but next month
I will pull up alright
Cousin Fred and Harry kindly
lend me 25.00 for a
month, I know I owe them
75 but my real estate
takes all I earn and
more I have only to the
last payment to make

Lots due 4th of September
I owe the Hotel proprietor
25cts for a little time now
and he is asking me
for it. I asked the house
but they have some large
payments to make besides
having no more typewriters
idle on their handsome
rent - they have to pay
so they have a lease for
two years. My best time
is coming on up to
Christmas, so that I will
quickly pull up. The
firm have adopted their
trade mark for name J
Co &c please address all
letters as below. Hoping to
hear from you & to
and with dear love to Ted
and Harry. Your affec. nephew
Leslie for self & Wife &c Fred



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402 County St.
Bedford
Mass.
% Mrs S. Wright

than two months.

[Now I just heard of a dry specialty from an old customer [illegible] it, with the wine.]

[I have written to Charlie [illegible] see if he can spare me some money, and when I hear from him I will write you.]

[Glad you enjoyed your trip. I have had a heavy cold for over a week, but hope it will soon be better.]

Stop with DICK at

THE RANDALL.

ALSO BURT HOUSE

Fort Wayne, Ind. Sept 12th 1892

Monday night

Dear Harry

Your letter
of Aug 31 I only received
this eve. I am very
sorry I cannot send
you money, business
has been very dull
with me for more
than two months
now, I just heard
of a deal specially
from the Rockaway
of course, and I intend

to handle it with the
mine. I have written
to Charlie now more
than two weeks ago
to see if he can spare
me some money and
when I hear from him
will write you.
Glad you enjoyed your
trip. I have had a
very heavy cold for
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With love to Uncle
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Your affec cousin
Fred.

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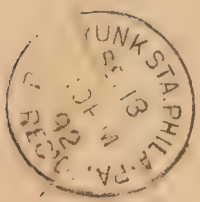
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Stop with DICK at

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FORT WAYNE, IND.

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February 14, 1947

[Henry and Hudson's cousin]

[The letter is its own envelope.]

[Handwriting runs in two directions.]

offered [illegible] a travelling [illegible] a month & found
the immediately [illegible] bar maid [illegible] &
back & forward from [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] for
six months salary [illegible] the [illegible] & cannot
wonder [illegible] trade in a similar [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] other men went [illegible] the time I was there me
the clerk who has managed to [illegible] [illegible]
with him told me he kept count of men [illegible]
during that time & the club was [illegible]
fifty. I told Clark from his [illegible] [illegible]
to me, that I considered his treatment [illegible]
gentlemanly & he did not expect [illegible]
20. However enough about it. I must look [illegible]
bright side. Am [illegible] a collecting [illegible] a very well
firm Hannah & Hogg. Mr Hatton [illegible] me a [illegible]
letter to them & I [illegible] success. [illegible]
I also [illegible] two advertisements in [illegible]
& may have a favorable reply. [illegible]
[illegible] for what you say [illegible]
to keep them. The country [illegible]
but I hope will soon change [illegible]

Conclude with dear love to Uncle, Aunt, &
Hudson.

Your affectionate cousin
Jed.

Will write soon again.

Fwd

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